UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
TYLER DIVISION

THE STATE OF TEXAS; AND
THE STATE OF MONTANA,
    Plaintiffs,
 	
v.
 	
XAVIER BECERRA, in his official capacity
as Secretary of Health and Human
Services; MELANIE FONTES RAINER,
in her official capacity as Director of the
Office for Civil Rights; CENTERS FOR
MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES;
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
    Defendants.
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		Civil Action No. 6:24-cv-00211

STATE OF TEXAS'S NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL AND DESIGNATION OF LEAD COUNSEL

Plaintiff, the State of Texas (Texas), files this Notice to withdraw Ryan D. Walters as counsel of record in this matter.

Mr. Walters has accepted a position within the Office of the Attorney General of Texas but outside of the Special Litigation Division handling this litigation, and Texas respectfully requests that he be withdrawn as its counsel. Texas will continue to be represented by co-counsel listed below, with Kathleen Hunker as lead counsel. This withdrawal will not delay any proceedings.

Dated January 31, 2025

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing document was filed electronically (via CM/ECF) on January 31, 2025, and that all counsel of record were served by CM/ECF.

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